



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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REVISED PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION for
STATE OF WASHINGTON WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION
and COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT CONSISTENCY

March 24, 2005

This public notice supercedes the public notice issued on March 4, 2005.

Interested parties are hereby notified that the following applications have been received for a water quality certification in accordance with Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act, pursuant to the requirements of WAC 173-225. For projects in the 15 coastal counties, these applications will also be reviewed for coastal zone consistency in accordance with Section 306 of the Coastal Zone Management Act.

This public notice does not indicate that Ecology or other State agencies have agreed with the proposed projects. This notice is only intended to inform the public of proposed projects, and ask for comments by local, state and federal agencies and the public.

EVALUATION: The decision to issue, deny or condition the water quality certification (WQC) or concur with the applicant's Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) consistency statement, will be based on the following: for WQC, it is necessary for the proposed project to comply with the applicable provisions of the federal Clean Water Act and appropriate State aquatic protection requirements. For a project to be declared consistent under the CZMA program, it must be in compliance with State and Federal Clean Water and Air Acts, the Shoreline Management Act, the State Environmental Policy Act, and other applicable federal and state regulations.

COMMENT AND REVIEW PERIOD: Ecology is soliciting comments from the public, State, and local agencies and officials, and other interested parties in order to evaluate the impacts of the activity. Any comments received will be considered to determine whether to approve, condition, or deny a certification for the proposed work, and concur or object to the project's statement of consistency with the CZMA. **Comments should be sent to:**

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The comment period will last 14 days, from March 24 to April 6, 2005.

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The following application has been received for 401 certification and CZMA consistency determination:

PROJECT NUMBER: 200300913

APPLICANT: Snohomish County Public Works
2930 Wetmore Avenue
Everett, WA 98201

CONTACT: Crilly Ritz, Snohomish County Public Works (425) 388-3488 x4586

ECOLOGY PROJECT REVIEWER: Rebekah Padgett (425) 649-7129

TYPE OF NATIONWIDE PERMIT: Nationwide Permit (NWP) #13, Bank Stabilization, to be issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

LOCATION: Approximately 1.2 miles north of SR 530, approximately 20 miles NE of Arlington, and 5 miles west of Darrington, along Swede Heaven Road, on the North Fork Stillaguamish River, Snohomish County, Washington; located in Section 7, Township 32 N., Range 9 E.

WORK: Application has been made for water quality certification to authorize installation of riprap and five rock groins as bank stabilization along 350 feet of North Fork Stillaguamish riverbank. The work will include: five rock groins placed partially into the riverbank, horizontal fabric-encased layers of soil and willow whip plantings installed on the re-constructed riverbank, a re-contoured upper riverbank with fabric matting and willow plantings, and installation of woody debris into the groins and in the inter-groin areas to enhance in-stream fish habitat.

To minimize impacts, in-stream work will be completed in the dry or, if wet, the in-stream coffer dam will be isolated and temporary water pollution/erosion control best management practices will be used. Conservation measures include: acquiring approximately 2.4 acres of riparian habitat and protection through designation as a native growth protection area, removing 5,800 feet of effective impervious surface, removal of structures, and revegetation with native vegetation.

The proposed project is described in more detail in the Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application and the Swede Heaven Road River Bank Stabilization Project Biological Assessment, September 2003.

PURPOSE: Bank stabilization and erosion protection for the Swede Heaven Road, a Snohomish County-maintained public road.

APPEALS: If the water quality certification is issued, any person aggrieved may obtain review thereof by appeal. The applicant can appeal up to 30 days after receipt of the permit, and all others can appeal up to 30 days from the postmarked date of the permit. The appeal must be sent to the Washington Pollution Control Hearings Board, PO Box 40903, Olympia WA 98504-0903. Concurrently, a copy of the appeal must be sent to the Department of Ecology, Enforcement Section, PO Box 47600, Olympia WA 98504-7600. These procedures are consistent with the provisions of Chapter 43.21B RCW and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder.